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Thank you for your email. The OPS will maintain a strong police posture in affected areas, this will include maintaining the secured area and police check-points.

The secured area footprint will likely shrink during the week and return to an increased size next weekend. As well, people can expect to see random and temporary closures of the off-ramps throughout the week as necessary.

As you know, a combination of police common law authorities and statutory authorities for example, the *Emergency Act* have been instrumental in our ability to respond to the unlawful demonstration. The EA provided the authority to take measures to enforce the prohibitions provided for in the Regulations. These measures included establishing a large secured area downtown to restrict access to an unlawful assembly. Pursuant to subsection 10(1) of the Regulations, peace officers may take necessary measures to ensure compliance with the Regulations and failure to comply with the Regulations is an offence under subsection 10(2).

Work will continue this week to keep monitoring intelligence, traffic, investigations and operations. This maintenance period will remain in place with the appropriate resources as long as necessary. The OPS remains committed to assessing and re-assessing the situation to determine when police common law authorities and reasonable ancillary powers flowing from those authorities will be sufficient to manage this ongoing situation.

Thanks and let me know if you have any questions.  
Steve

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Steve,  
There is a lot of discussion with respect to when the Federal Emergencies Act invocation can be lifted.  
Given the current situation at a national level, we would not seek to have the act invoked if it were not already. We are of the view that pre-existing tools are sufficient to manage the situation today and we can no longer justify the need to keep it in force.  
Significant progress was made by all over the last few days. Most of the occupiers who had accounts frozen who were contacted today are on their way home.  
Looking for your thoughts as we have been asked our opinion.  
I understand if you are unable to comment but Commr Lucki wanted to give an opportunity to you if you choose.  
Thank you.  
Mark  
Assistant Commissioner National Security and Protective Policing